Oncology Nursing Grand Rounds

Improving Outcomes, Quality and Experiences of Care: The Critical Role of the Oncology Nurse in Advancing Evidence and Transforming Care

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Dr. Margaret Barton-Burke is the Mary Ann Lee professor of oncology nursing at the University of Missouri and a research scientist at Siteman Cancer Institute in St. Louis. She received her BSN from William Paterson College, her MS from Boston University in teaching and oncology, and her PhD in Psychosocial Nursing, University of Rhode Island. Her current research focuses on culturally-appropriate interventions, outreach to underserved communities, and programs to address disparities in care and outcomes. Dr. Barton-Burke served for 21 years in the Army Nurse Corps Reserve Component, retiring from the Massachusetts Army National Guard as Deputy Commander of Detachment 6, at the rank of Colonel. She was the first woman and the first nurse to achieve the rank of Colonel in the Massachusetts Army National Guard. A member of the Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) since 1983, Dr. Barton-Burke is the current

President of ONS. She has held various leadership positions within the Society including chapter president, National Congress Chairperson, and Director-at-Large on the ONS Board of Directors. She is a recognized expert in the care of patients receiving cancer treatment, and was a member of the ONS Task Force that developed the ONS Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Course, the prevailing educational program for administration, safe handling, and care of persons receiving these therapies. This course is now a standard across the United States, and has been completed by thousands of nurses, resulting in improved care quality for oncology patients nationwide. The author of numerous publications, Dr. Barton-Burke is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

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